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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2006, setting forth a Restriction Requirement with respect to claims 1-6 of the present application, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, claims 3-6, drawn to a method of fabricating a frame. This election being without traverse.

Examination on the merits and allowance of the elected claims is hereby earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe a conference would be of benefit in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, he is hereby invited to telephone counsel to arrange such a conference.

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